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Applicant: HAATJA ET AL. Examiner: M. Q. JIMENEZ  
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

This paper is being submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on November 2, 2004.

Applicant hereby elects the claims of Group I (claims 1-9) directed to a method of assembling a cable routing system.

Examination on the merits is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at 612.371.5340 with any questions or concerns.

Respectfully submitted,



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